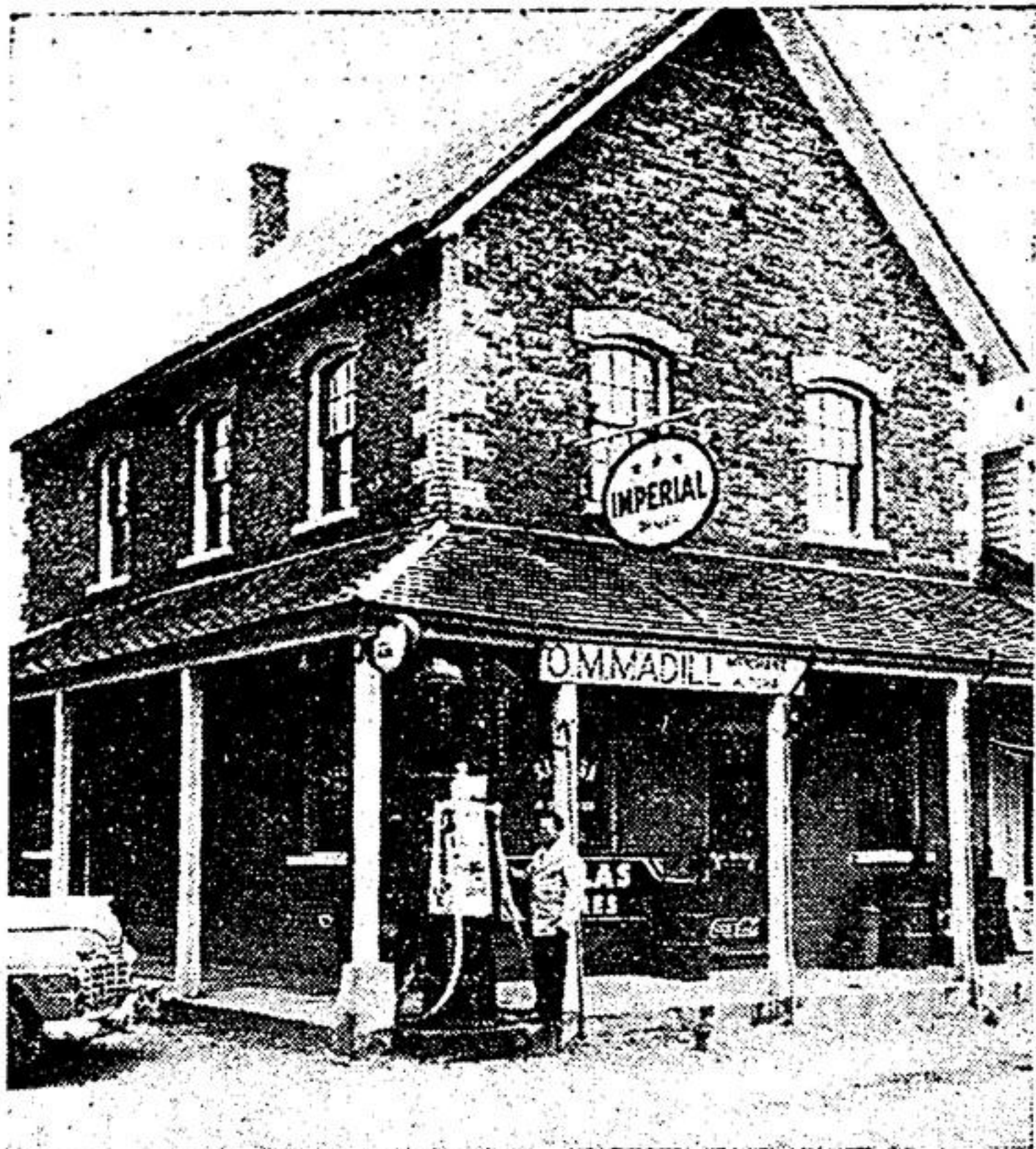


Four Generations in One Day Served at This Country Store



MADILL STORE

(Photo by Johnston)

Here we have "Ollie" the proprietor about to dispense gasoline to the customer in front of Altona store which he has operated for 27 years, and which in the old days dispensed the "foaming suds" and gave warmth in winter to the overnight traveller who sought a haven there.

Almost 75 years old this country store at Altona was first a hotel that dispensed the friendly suids over the old bar, and offered shelter to the tired traveller making his way on foot or by horse and buggy through the district. There have been some changes in the building, but the old bar room is still intact, dispensing groceries and other goods by its friendly owner O. M. Madill who opened the place as a general store 27 years ago, after it had been closed as a hotel because of the coming of local option.

Andy Brown kept the hotel for a half century, but its last operator

was Harry Wellman, still a resident in the hamlet.

Mr. Madill as a country merchant really enjoys an unusual patronage. He can boast of four generations buying of his wares, and that all in one day recently if you please, but of course they are regular customers — the Tran families. It was noted a couple of weeks ago that Mr. George Tran was making a purchase, also his son D. J. Tran, and his son Joe and little daughter of 4 years. The child had an ice cream cone, but it was enough to make individual purchases to complete an unique event that is seldom equalled.

CCF to Contest North York Riding

Jack H. Dickman, 28-year-old veteran of North York Township was chosen CCF candidate for York North which includes Whitechurch Township, in the forthcoming provincial election by a convention of party members in the Newmarket Town Hall on Saturday night. He won in a close contest with T. A. Weaver of Richmond Hill. The meeting took a collection of \$325.

Mr. Dickman who is a member of the United Church attended Duke of York public school and Earl Haig Collegiate. For three years prior to the outbreak of the war he was an employee of Silverwood's Dairy. In September, 1939, he joined the Canadian Army Signal Corps and went overseas with the Second Division in 1940. He saw action at Dieppe and in Normandy where he suffered wounds for which he receives a small pension. Mr. Dickman has been studying and doing experimental work in connection with the

production of natural silk. He intends to specialize in this branch of farming, recently introduced to Canada.

In his address to the delegates Mr. Dickman described the CCF First Term Program in regard to agriculture, labour, health, housing, welfare and automobile insurance as practical and sound.

E.B. Jolliffe, K.C., Ontario Leader of the CCF, pointed out that there were only four hospital beds per one thousand people in Ontario whereas there were six in Saskatchewan, a less wealthy province. "The present handling of hospitalization in Ontario is a disgrace," he said.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Briard, Market street for Mothers' Day were their daughter Mrs. C. McBride, their granddaughter Mrs. John Wallwork, jr. their niece Mrs. M. Walker of England, two great nephews Masters Anthony and Nicholas Walker and Mr. Dave Tucker of Toronto. Mrs. M. Walker has been spending a six weeks vacation with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Briard and she and her two little sons sail for England, May 21st.

Agreement Reached for New Vandorf Subway

As a result of all parties reaching an agreement the proposed improvements at the Vandorf subway on the 4th concession of Whitechurch, may now be proceeded with to straighten and enlarge this dangerous subway under the railway tracks when the C.N.R. offered objection, and the matter referred to the Dominion Railway Board.

The hearing was at Ottawa last week and resulted in an order being issued for a new crossing or subway on which the railway will pay 45 per cent of the cost and the Toronto & York Road Commission 55 per cent. Estimated cost is \$104,000.

Plans for the improvement indicate that the opening under the tracks will be enlarged to 54 feet with a centre pier, allowing a one-way passage each side of the pier of 20 feet, plus sidewalk for pedestrians.

It is expected that there will be immediate action to proceed with some part of the work, since the County of York had embodied a sum in this year's estimate to meet part of the cost.

The present underpass crossing or subway was constructed in 1919,

replacing an old trestle bridge. It was regarded nearly 30 years ago, as a fine roadway passage, but that was largely in "horse-and-buggy days." With present heavy traffic between Toronto and Lake Simcoe, the situation at Vandorf is dangerous and has cost one or more lives. There is no clear vision from one side of the subway to the other, and motor crashes constantly occur.

The vision is obscured because of the angle on which the subway was built. Second serious fault is that two cars cannot pass. The new layout will not only be wider but will be approached on the straight giving a clear view through the subway.

Reeve L. P. Evans of Whitechurch, as a County Commissioner was along with the party visiting Ottawa for the occasion of bringing the matter before the Railway Board. He reports that the decision of the Railway Board entirely met with the approval of the Warden and Commissioners of York County.

Much of the traffic between Toronto and Lake Simcoe points passes under or through this subway where a crash three of four years ago caused the death of a Toronto motorist.

Organizations Urge Council to Action In Renovating Town's Municipal Hall

Representatives from Five Organizations in Town Present Council with Brief Urging Immediate Action for Better Hall Facilities

Representatives of five town organizations, the Women's Institute, the Athletic Club, the Business Men's Association, the Lions Club and the Horticultural Society presented a brief to the Stouffville Municipal Council on Thursday evening, in the first united effort to spur council to action in going ahead with the proposed renovating of the municipal hall, in order to provide better accommodation for meetings and small gatherings. It was proposed at a council meeting as far back as last summer that the present hall be carried back over the entire building, the work to be done along with the widening of the fire hall doors, and a new roof which is badly needed on the municipal building.

Bert Miller represented the Horticultural Society, Mrs. G. Kellington and Mrs. G. Lemon, the Institute, Irwin Borinsky, the Athletic Club, Harold Spofford, the Business Men's Assoc., and Fred Campbell, the Lions Club. Mrs. Kellington, president of the Institute, read the brief.

The communication stated that these organizations were all very proud of their town, but not of its municipal hall. Speaking particularly of the Institute, it stated that this organization was forced to pass up many valuable courses because of inadequate accommodation and that the other societies represented, were in a similar predicament. In summing up, the brief urged immediate action. If a community hall project was not feasible at the present time, at least have the present hall enlarged.

"It has been suggested some time ago," said Reeve Nolan, "that the present hall be carried back over the entire building. Such an enlarged hall would handle seventy-five to eighty per cent of the meetings required. Even if a larger hall was erected in the future, this hall would always be popular for smaller gatherings," he said.

Councillor Scott said he was a hundred per cent behind the idea. "The town is getting in a rut," he said.

Councillor Ogden, chairman of the town property committee, stated that he hadn't found anyone able to take on the work.

"I'm ready to go into the job with anyone who is willing to consider the work," he stated.

"We certainly all feel the lack of a hall," said Councillor Ratcliff, "the council is giving it consideration."

"It's not an easy job to do, there are a lot of things that need doing," said Councillor Baker.

An optimistic note was struck by the Reeve when he stated that he had the word of one prominent builder, that he would drop most any work to get this job done.

Council thanked the deputation promised to deal with the matter.

Milliken Man Found Guilty

William Tapscoff of Milliken was fined \$25 and costs or one month by Magistrate Frank Ebbs in court at Whitby on a charge of careless driving to which accused pleaded innocent.

Tapscoff collided with a car parked on Highway 2A near the Liverpool cloverleaf, March 20, at 8:30 p.m. He testified that he was driving east and did not see the tail light of the car owned by Vincent O'Carroll of Pickering, who had been forced to stop by mechanical trouble. Tapscoff's wife was injured when her head struck the windshield.

"You should have seen the car long before you did," said His Worship in imposing sentence. He said it appeared that accused did not have his car under proper control nor was he keeping a proper lookout because two witnesses who passed the car a few minutes before, said they saw a tail light.

STOUFFVILLE I.O.O.F.
District Church Parade, Sunday, May 16th. Meet at Lodge Room 7:00 p.m. Service at 7:30 in the United Church, Stouffville. All Brothers asked to turn out.

STOUFFVILLE FARM SOLD

Mr. Peter Ferguson has sold his 160 acre farm just north of town on the 9th concession to Mr. Arthur Reeve of Toronto, nephew of Mrs. James McCreight who recently moved to town from the 9th concession of Markham. The property is conveniently located on a main concession heavily travelled, and which will some day be a paved thoroughfare.

The sale price for the property is \$11,000. Possession will be given June 15. In the meantime Mr. Ferguson will hold a public auction sale of his stock and implements. H. W. Moyer negotiated the deal.

TWO BROKE INTO COTTAGE

Pleading guilty to breaking and entering a cottage at Musselman's lake, April 26, Fred Aldman, 26, and Don Morris, 26, were sentenced to two years, less one day, by Magistrate O. M. Martin on Monday in County Court.

The tulip beds at the Library and Station have been especially nice this year. The Hort. Society have had the Library grounds landscaped with evergreens which should make it attractive throughout the year.

Mr. K. W. Lyburner and family of Fergus, were weekend guests with his mother, Mrs. Jas. H. Ratcliff and Glenn.

Asks Council to Open Somerville St. from O'Brien Through To Lloyd Avenue

M.O.H. Urges Council to Further Improve Town Water Supply

George Allison, of Maple Leaf Dairy, waited on Stouffville Municipal Council at their regular meeting last week, to request the opening of the street running from O'Brien to Lloyd's Ave., between E. A. Button and Elias Hoover properties.

At the present time the street is blind, and the lot which would be required to continue it to Lloyd's Ave. is owned by David Watson who has a garage erected there, but is understood to be willing to sell.

Council told Mr. Allison that he was at liberty to purchase this lot and take down the fence if he wished.

"I'd be at considerable expense if I had to buy the lot to get the road open," said Mr. Allison. "If some other council opened it, I might have my house right on the street," he said.

"It's a shame the street wasn't left open," said Councillor Ratcliff, "but we can't buy streets to improve private property," he said.

Questioned as to whether he could buy the existing street and build on O'Brien Ave, the Reeve told Mr. Allison that only the adjacent property owners could buy the street without a resulting claim for damages.

"The Department of Health is anxious to know what your program is to improve the reservoirs," the M.O.H. Dr. Freel told council.

He was informed that the reservoirs were to be cleaned, the matter of rebuilding the north end of the newest reservoir looked into.

Council agreed to give Mr. Jones, new owner of the former Tarr home at the entrance to the Cemetery lane, two weeks to sign an agreement to dispose of the old building on the corner of his property for which demolishing he would receive \$150 and \$300 for a strip of land which the Cemetery Commission wishes to use to widen the entrance in preparation for building the Williamson vault after the time limit the offer is no longer good.

In reply to a complaint from Mr. Hugh Beckett, westend, the clerk was instructed to instruct the Stouffville Planning Mill to remove lumber piles which are objectionable to the adjacent householders, and which are described as a fire hazard and are piled out on town property.

An offer of dumping privileges near Ballantrae at a rate of \$100 was accepted from Mr. M. Fockler. "I wouldn't let anybody run into

Mutton-Eating Dogs Caught and Shot

Two marauding dogs caught in the act of killing sheep on the farm of Wilmot Brown, 8th concession, Whitechurch, were destroyed after being caught by the farmer. The canines, believed to be a couple of strays, permitted Mr. Brown to get close enough to them to grab both, and although one turned vicious and bit the farmer on the arm, the animals were herded in the barn until a gun was secured, and their destruction brought about.

Sheep valuer Almour Clarke told Whitechurch council that one sheep had been chased into a creek on the farm, and would have been destroyed in a few minutes, but Mr. Brown reached the scene just in time to make a rescue. Mr. Clarke estimated that the two dogs were inexperienced in the matter of destroying sheep, otherwise they would not have been caught. They evidently did not sense any wrongdoing. However, they were potential killers, as once having been guilty of the act. The Sheep and Dog Act provides that dogs caught worrying sheep may be shot forthwith.

Mr. Brown was awarded the township bonus of \$5 per animal for destroying the dogs.

Leslie Named PC Candidate in E. York

The Conservative candidate for York East is the sitting member Jack Leslie who was chosen at a nomination meeting last week. Stouffville is the northern municipality in East York which extends to Lake Ontario in Scarborough.

Mr. Leslie chided the Dominion government for "soft-peddalling" the Communist issue. They do not want to drive them underground, but I say they are underground now."

Few communists will admit they are such, he said. That way of keeping hands off the communists, was just a means of getting around the issue, Mr. Leslie maintained.

Mr. Leslie stated that, under the system of educational and road grants instituted by the DREW government, the people of Ontario had been spared since 1943 an additional tax on real estate which would have cost them \$37,248,000.

Referring to the provincial gasoline tax of three cents per gallon, Mr. Leslie said \$12,600,000 had been derived from this source last year.

Engagements

Mrs. Henry J. Ford announces the engagement of her daughter Marion Grace, to Mr. Adam (Bud) Cumming of Toronto. Marriage to take place Saturday, May 15, at 3:30 o'clock in Stouffville United Church.

Rev. Norman and Mrs. Rowan announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Amy (Peggy) to David Almour Clarke, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clarke, Stouffville. The marriage to take place in Second Markham Baptist Church, June 12th, at two-thirty o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter, Locust Hill, Ont. announce the engagement of their eldest daughter Mildred Irene, to Leonard Norman Barrett, son of Mr. Murray Barrett and the late Mrs. Barrett of Pickering, Ont. The wedding to take place on Saturday, May 22 in Whitevale United Church.

Church Member Over Forty Years Lost To Goodwood

Goodwood lost one of its life-long residents in the recent passing, on Monday, May 3rd, of Frances (Frank) Wagg, eldest son of the late Isaac and Phoebe Wagg in his 68th year.

Having resided with his parents on the former Wagg homestead about a mile and a quarter north of Goodwood, until the year 1920, they retired to the village of Goodwood. Previous to his death, he had made his home with his sister, Mrs. J. Maye.

Mr. Wagg was a member of the Goodwood Baptist Church for over forty years and will be greatly missed in the village for his willingness to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, until his declining health prevented him doing so. He had not enjoyed good health for quite some time and had been confined to bed for the past few months.

The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon from the home of his sister, Mrs. J. Maye, service being conducted in the Baptist church by a former pastor, Rev. Caleb Harris of Toronto with a goodly number in attendance to pay their last respects. Interment was made in the Goodwood cemetery. The pallbearers were all nephews of the deceased being Elmer Rodman, Carson Watson, Alger Maye, Norman Maye, Lloyd Wagg, and Luther Watson. The flower bearers were Delbert Rodman, Harry Woodland and Harvey Bunker.

Surviving are three sisters and one brother, Mrs. Thos. Watson, (Edith) Marsh Hill; Mrs. Marvyn Rodman, (May) Uxbridge; Mrs. John Maye (Dora) and Daniel Wagg both of Goodwood.

Rev. and Mrs. R. Simpson Black of Bonar Church, Toronto, visited with Miss A.B. Duncan on Monday.

district stretching from 1885 to 1927. His wife predeceased him some years, and there are three daughters and one son surviving the father. They are Misses Rena, Jessie, and Jean Scott, all high school teachers, also Walter who has been principal of Richmond Hill public school for thirty years.

Walter Scott, 94, Buried on Wednesday

The death of Walter Scott which occurred in St. Catharines where he had been living revives old memories of an active personage in the Victoria Square district less than half a century ago. Mr. Scott died on Sunday and is being buried this Wednesday afternoon in the family plot at Melville cemetery following a public service in the Melville United Church. He was in his 94th year.

During his active days he farmed just north of Victoria Square and took a keen interest in the life of the community and municipality in which he lived. He was for long years identified with the Bethesda and Stouffville Telephone Co., and a member of the directorate and served the Township of Markham as reeve at one time. In 1904 he was Liberal candidate in North York, (the year Sir James Whitney came to power).

In church life he served as elder at Melville all his long life in the